portion, and

- (5) a coated material removing process, or
- 7. A method for partially plating on a base claimed in claim 1 or 2 which comprises in order:
  - (1) a roughing process to rough the base surface,
- (2) a catalyst applying process to apply a plating catalyst on the surface,
  - (3) a plating process,
- (4) a coating process to partially coat the surface with a coating material selected from a water soluble polymer or hydrolyzable polymer,
- (5) a removing process to remove a plated layer except the coated portion, and
  - (6) a coated material removing process.
- 8. A method for partially plating on a base claimed in any claim 1 to 7 in which a coating material is polylactate or a mixture or copolymer of polylactate as a main component with aliphatic polyester.

## **Abstract**

There is provided a method for partially plating on a base of synthetic resins or other materials including not only a single base but an assembly thereof comprising a number of chip bases for producing electronic and electric parts such as printed circuit board, lead frame insert molded circuit parts, etc.

A method for partially plating on an assembly of bases 21 by the use of a plating catalyst comprising a coating process to coat a surface to be plated or not to be plated by means of a coating material selected from a water soluble polymer or hydrolyzable polymer either before or after a catalyst applying process to soak a container containing bases 21 in a plating catalyst bath.